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### ***Lt. Governor Announces 2006 Tourism Council Officers***

Today Lt. Governor Becky Skillman announced the new officers for the Indiana Tourism Council. Chaired by Lt. Governor Skillman, the Tourism Council is comprised of members of the tourism and hospitality industries as well as state government.

“These team leaders bring innovative ideas and extensive industry background to help guide the council to great heights,” said Lt. Governor Skillman. “With the leadership of these industry experts we will strive to grow Indiana tourism to new levels.”

Peggy Hobson, representing the Association of Indiana Convention and Visitors Bureaus, will serve as Vice Chair of the council. Hobson is also Director of the Kokomo Convention & Visitors Bureau. Donna Christian, General Manager of Edinburgh Premium Outlets, was elected Treasurer. Terry Seitz, Executive Director of Southern Indiana Properties of Distinction, will serve as Secretary.

The council’s objective is to build commitment and unity among tourism industry groups, encourage public and private participation necessary for the promotion of tourism, and make recommendations to the Indiana Office of Tourism Development.

Lt. Governor Skillman has oversight of the Indiana Office of Tourism Development with Amy Vaughan serving as the director of the agency. For a complete list of Tourism Council members, contact Angela Hurley, Indiana Office of Tourism Development, 317-233-0611, [ahurley@enjoyindiana.in.gov](mailto:ahurley@enjoyindiana.in.gov).

#### **Tourism Fast Facts:**

***Every year Indiana welcomes 58 million people to the state.***

***94,000 jobs in Indiana are tourism-related.***

***Visitors spend nearly \$6.7 billion while visiting Indiana.***

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